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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a __ continuation \(\) divisional __ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. \(\) 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/256,368 filed on February 24, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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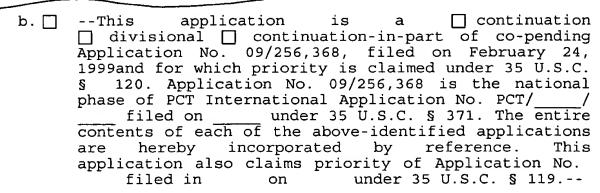
- Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
- 2. Me filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY		
	BASIC	FEE	\$710.00	\$355.00		
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	8-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00		
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- 4.
 Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

a. 🛛	This application is a \bigsqcup continuation
	Application No. 09/256,368, filed on February 24,
	1999, the entire contents of which are hereby
	incorporated by reference and for which priority is
	claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application
	claims priority of Application No. Hei. 10-286268
	filed in Japan on October 8, 1998 under 35 U.S.C. §
	119



6.	\boxtimes	Enclosed is/are <u>nineteen</u> $(\underline{19})$ sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
7a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/256,368 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
7b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
8.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned to <u>Mitsubishi Denki</u> <u>Kabushiki Kaisha</u>
9.	\boxtimes	A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
10a.		Priority of Application No(s). Hei. 286268 filed in Japan on October 8, 1998 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on February 24, 1999.
10b.		Priority of International Appln. filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11.	\boxtimes	An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12.	\boxtimes	Address all future communications to:
		BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 Telephone: (703) 205-8000 or Customer No. 2292
13.	\boxtimes	An extension of time for one (1) month(s) until September 2, 2001 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/256,368 in order to establish copendency with the present application.
14.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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